

CLAIMS

1. An article of manufacture comprising:
 - a component container; and
 - a plurality of labels removably affixed to the component container and having printed thereon an identifier, wherein the identifier is encoded in a component inside the component container and uniquely identifies the component.
2. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the plurality of labels comprises a first label and a second label.
3. The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the first label is attached to a device in which the component is installed.
4. The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the second label is attached to a package in which the device is shipped.
5. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the unique identifier is printed on the plurality of labels as a bar code.
6. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the unique identifier of the component comprises an electronically encoded identifier.
7. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the label is made of polyester.
8. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the component container is an electro-static discharge bag.
9. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the plurality of labels are removably attached to the component container.
10. A method comprising:
 - determining a unique identifier encoded on a component;
 - printing the unique identifier on a plurality of labels; and

affixing the plurality of labels to a component container into which the component is inserted.

11. The method of claim 10 wherein the plurality of labels comprises a first label and a second label.
12. The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching the first label on a device in which the component is installed.
13. The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching the second label to a package in which the device is shipped.
14. The method of claim 10 wherein printing the unique identifier on the plurality of labels comprises printing a bar code on the labels.
15. The method of claim 10 wherein determining the unique identifier of the component comprises reading an electronically encoded identifier from the component.
16. The method of claim 10 wherein the label is made of polyester.
17. The method of claim 10 wherein the container is an electro-static discharge bag.
18. The method of claim 10 wherein the plurality of labels are removably attached to the component container.
19. An article of manufacture comprising:
 - a base label having a designated area thereon to receive an identification label;
 - a plurality of identification labels removably attached to the designated area of the base label, wherein the identification labels have printed thereon an identifier which uniquely identifies a component inside a component container to which the base label can be attached.

20. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the plurality of identification labels comprises a first label and a second label.
21. The article of manufacture of claim 20 wherein the first label is attached to a device in which the component is installed.
22. The article of manufacture of claim 20 wherein the second label is attached to a package in which the device is shipped.
23. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the unique identifier is printed on the plurality of identification labels as a bar code.
24. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the unique identifier of the component comprises an electronically encoded identifier.
25. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the base label and the plurality of identification labels are made of polyester.
26. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the container is an electro-static discharge bag.